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SUBJECT: FY 76 FMS CREDIT FOR GOG PROGRESS PAYMENTS

REF: ATHENS 3647

1. BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT CONGRESS WILL AUTHORIZE AND APPROPRIATE SECURITY ASSISTANCE FUNDS DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF FY 76. THEREFORE, IT APPEARS THAT IN ORDER TO CONTINUE SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN FY 76, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO REQUEST CONGRESS TO PROVIDE FUNDS THROUGH CONTINUING RESOLUTION AUTHORITY (CRA), WHICH WE HOPE WILL BE OBTAINED EARLY IN THE FIRST QUARTER. WHILE CRA USUALLY PERMITS US TO FUND PROGRAMS AT THE SAME LEVEL AS  
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IN THE PRECEDING FY, IT HAS BEEN OUR POLICY TO PROVIDE FMS

CREDIT WHILE OPERATING UNDER CRA ONLY FOR MULTI-YEAR COMMITMENTS. THIS POLICY IS DESIGNED TO ALLOW THE USG TO HONOR ITS COMMITMENTS WHILE PROTECTING THE OVERALL PROGRAM SHOULD THE CONGRESS ULTIMATELY APPROPRIATE LESS NOA (NEW OBLIGATIONAL AUTHORITY) THAN THE ADMINISTRATION EXPECTED.

2. SINCE THE GREEK FMS CREDIT PROGRAM IS NOT A MULTI-YEAR COMMITMENT, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE AT THIS TIME THAT WE COULD PROVIDE FY 76 FMS CREDIT TO GREECE UNDER CRA. NEVERTHELESS, WE DID SUBMIT THIS QUESTION EARLY IN FY 75 TO HIGH-LEVEL REVIEW AND SUBSEQUENTLY MADE FMS CREDIT AVAILABLE TO THE GOG WHILE OPERATING UNDER CRA AT THAT TIME. WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO SEEK SIMILAR AUTHORITY IN FY 76 IN ORDER TO HELP THE GREEKS MEET THEIR AIRCRAFT PROGRESS PAYMENTS.

3. YOU MAY PASS ABOVE POINTS TO APPROPRIATE GOG OFFICIALS, EMPHASIZING THAT WE CANNOT PROVIDE ANY FMS CREDIT ASSISTANCE AT LEAST UNTIL CRA IS OBTAINED. INGERSOLL

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